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EUROPEAN THEATER
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CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 73

Reporting of Certain Communicable Diseases

1. Paragraph 10, Circular Letter No. 20, Off Ch Surg, "Preparation and Submission of Medical Department Reports and Records", 2 February 1944, is amended as follows:

a. Hospitalizing units will report by the quickest available means to the patient's unit, to the major command headquarters, and to the Preventive Medicine Division, Office of the Theater Chief Surgeon, Headquarters, Theater Service Forces, European Theater (Main), (Telephone ROUNDUP 33412), all new cases of diphtheria, typhoid or paratyphoid fevers, typhus fever, meningococcic meningitis, or any other unusual disease in individuals coming under their care. Such a report will include the patient's name, unit, location of unit, date of onset, date of hospitalization, and epidemiological information. Confirmation of this report will be submitted on a form similar to Appendix #1.

b. An unusual or epidemic incidence of any usual communicable disease, including common respiratory disease or influenza-like infection, infectious hepatitis, and common diarrhea will similarly be reported, by the quickest possible means, to the patients' units, to the major command headquarters, and to the Preventive Medicine Division, Office of the Theater Chief Surgeon, Headquarters, Theater Service Forces, European Theater (Main), APO 757. Such reports will include the number of admissions, by day, by unit of origin and location, and remarks as to the severity of the infection. Written confirmation will be submitted on a form similar to Appendix #2.

c. Parent units, upon receipt of such reports (pars 1a and 1b above) from hospital, will submit, by the quickest possible means, to major command headquarters and to the Preventive Medicine Division, Office of the Theater Chief Surgeon, Headquarters, Theater Service Forces, European Theater (Main), APO 757, a summary of any control measures instituted. This summary will be confirmed in writing.

d. Commanding officers of all units will maintain at all times close liaison with Military Government officials in the occupied area and with Government officials wherever US troops are stationed, to insure prompt interchange of information as to incidence of communicable disease in troops and civilians.

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e. All reports will bear control approval symbol TSFID-2.

By order of the Theater Chief Surgeon:

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1. Appendix #1.
2. Appendix #2.

APPENDIX #1

INDIVIDUAL EPIDEMIOLOGICAL CASE HISTORY

1. Diagnosis:
2. Patient's Name and Rank: Age: ASN:
3. Unit: Location of Unit:
4. Date of Onset: Date and Place of Hospitalization:
5. Brief Clinical Resume (Include laboratory confirmation and details as to history of specific immunization procedures):
6. Epidemiology (Every effort should be made to trace patients' movements, units, and contacts on duty, temporary duty, leave or furlough, during the incubation period and consistent with the mode of spread of the disease. This is of particular importance in cases of typhus, typhoid and paratyphoid fevers.):

APPENDIX #2

REPORT OF UNUSUAL INCIDENCE OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASE

1. Diagnosis:
2. Number of Cases, by Day of Admission:
3. Number of Cases by Units Involved and Location of Units:
4. Brief Clinical Description Including Laboratory Data:
5. Summary of Control Measures Instituted:

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